

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE Before the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences

In re Patent Application of

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Examiner: Li, Bao Q.

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	NOTICE OF APPEAL Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the last decision of the Examiner twice/finally rejecting applicant's claim(s). (\$ 500.00)	\$	500.00
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	Petition is hereby made to extend the current due date so as to cover the filing date of this paper and attachment(s) (\$120.00/1 month; \$450.00/2 months; \$1020.00/3 months; \$1590.00/4 months) SUBTOTAL	\$ \$	500.00
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